

Practicing Spanish based on Comics



Condorito 1

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DEDICATION

To my former and current advanced students, and to those that have chosen to keep practicing Spanish online.

To all Spanish language teachers who look for materials in their classes encouraging their students to get the language skills in the funny way.

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1. CONÉ SE TRAGÓ UNA MONEDA



- a) What does the comics' title suggest to you?
- b) Use your own words to describe the characters from this comics.
 - Watch the [video](#)¹. After reading and/or watching the comics:
- c) Answer the questions
 1. ¿Qué le dijo [Yayita](#)² a Condorito?
 2. ¿Qué le preguntó Condorito a Yayita?
 3. ¿Qué le informó Yayita a Condorito?
 4. ¿Qué le contestó Condorito a Yayita?
- d) Apply the reported (indirect) speech by expressing the content of statements, questions or other utterances of the joke, without quoting them explicitly as is done in direct speech.
- e) Retell the comics pretending you are:
 - Yayita
 - Condorito
- f) Check your written answers in the Answers Key.

¹ Address link for print edition: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zm5QaprssPc>

² Yayita: Novia de Condorito.

2. MÁSCARA DE CENICIENTA



- What does the comics' title suggest to you?
- Use your own words to describe the characters from this comics.
 - Watch the [video](#)³. After reading and/or watching the comics:
- Answer the questions
 - ¿Qué le preguntó [doña Tremebunda](#)⁴ a su esposo [don Cuasimodo](#)⁵?
 - ¿Qué le contestó don Cuasimodo a su mujer Tremebunda?
 - ¿Qué le dijo además don Cuasimodo a su mujer Tremebunda?
- Apply the reported (indirect) speech by expressing the content of statements, questions or other utterances of the joke, without quoting them explicitly as is done in direct speech.
- Retell the comics pretending you are:
 - Doña Tremebunda
 - Don Cuasimodo
- Check your written answers in the Answers Key.

³ Address link for print edition: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rJHXPfDV264>

⁴ Doña Tremebunda: Madre de Yayita, suegra de Condorito y esposa de don Cuasimodo.

⁵ Don Cuasimodo: Padre de Yayita, suegro de Condorito y esposo de doña Tremebunda.

3. ACEITE DE HÍGADO DE BACALAO



- What does the comics' title suggest to you?
- Use your own words to describe the characters from this comics.
 - Watch the [video](#)⁶. After reading and/or watching the comics:
- Answer the questions
 - ¿Qué le preguntó Condorito a [Pepe Cortizona](#)⁷ (Saco de Plomo)?
 - ¿Qué le contestó Pepe Cortizona a Condorito?
 - ¿Qué le preguntó Condorito a Pepe Cortizona?
 - ¿Cuál fue la respuesta de Pepe Cortizona a Condorito?
 - ¿Qué le indicó Condorito a la enfermera?
- Apply the reported (indirect) speech by expressing the content of statements, questions or other utterances of the joke, without quoting them explicitly as is done in direct speech.
- Retell the comics pretending you are:
 - Condorito
 - Pepe Cortizona
 - La enfermera
- Check your written answers in the Answers Key.

⁶ Address link for print edition: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rSmB5cU5w2U>

⁷ Pepe Cortizona (saco de plomo): Rival de Condorito.

4. CONDORITO – JEFE DE PERSONAL



- a) What does the comics' title suggest to you?
- b) Use your own words to describe the characters from this comics.
 - Watch the [video](#)⁸. After reading and/or watching the comics:
- c) Answer the questions
 1. ¿Qué les quería informar Condorito a los empleados de la compañía?
 2. ¿Qué quería Condorito?
 3. ¿Cuáles fueron los comentarios de los dos empleados?
 4. ¿Qué les informó Condorito a los empleados?
- d) Apply the reported (indirect) speech by expressing the content of statements, questions or other utterances of the joke, without quoting them explicitly as is done in direct speech.
- e) Retell the comics pretending you are:
 - Condorito
 - El primer empleado
 - El segundo empleado
- f) Check your written answers in the Answers Key.

⁸ Address link for print edition: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qbg5eRZVp2g>

5. MARCAPASOS



- What does the comics' title suggest to you?
- Use your own words to describe the characters from this comics.
 - Watch the [video](#)⁹. After reading and/or watching the comics:
- Answer the questions
 - ¿Qué le dijo el doctor a Condorito?
 - ¿Qué le informó el médico a Condorito unos días después?
 - ¿Condorito le dio las gracias al médico?
 - ¿A dónde fue Condorito un tiempo después?
 - ¿Qué le preguntó el médico a Condorito después de saludarlo?
 - ¿Qué le contestó Condorito al doctor?
 - ¿Qué le comentó Condorito al médico?
 - ¿Qué le preguntó el médico a Condorito?
 - ¿Condorito es jugador de póker?

⁹ Address link for print edition: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S8fp5aApfVE>

10. ¿Qué le confesó Condorito a su médico?
- d) Apply the reported (indirect) speech by expressing the content of statements, questions or other utterances of the joke, without quoting them explicitly as is done in direct speech.
- e) Retell the comics pretending you are:
- El médico
 - Condorito
- f) Check your written answers in the Answers Key.

6. ¡CÚBRANME!



- a) What does the comics' title suggest to you?
- b) Use your own words to describe the characters from this comics.
- Watch the [video](#)¹⁰. After reading and/or watching the comics:
- c) Answer the questions
1. ¿Qué le ordenó el capitán Condorito al sargento?
 2. ¿Qué le preguntó el sargento al capitán Condorito?
 3. ¿Qué le contestó el capitán Condorito al sargento?
 4. ¿Qué le informó el capitán Condorito al sargento?
- d) Apply the reported (indirect) speech by expressing the content of statements, questions or other utterances of the joke, without

¹⁰ Address link for print edition: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hr3AbkNMISK>

quoting them explicitly as is done in direct speech.

e) Retell the comics pretending you are:

- Condorito
- Sargento

f) Check your written answers in the Answers Key.

7. LA VIUDA



a) What does the comics' title suggest to you?

b) Use your own words to describe the characters from this comics.

- Watch the [video](#)¹¹. After reading and/or watching the comics:

c) Answer the questions

1. ¿Cuál fue la pregunta de Condorito a la señora vestida de negro después de decirle que ese día se había enterado de la muerte de su marido?
2. ¿Qué le comentó la viuda a Condorito?
3. ¿Qué quería saber Condorito de la viuda?
4. ¿Qué le contó la viuda a Condorito?

d) Apply the reported (indirect) speech by expressing the content of statements, questions or other utterances of the joke, without quoting them explicitly as is done in direct speech.

¹¹ Address link for print edition: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GN2jZaMHueo>

e) Retell the comics pretending you are:

- Condorito
- La viuda

f) Check your written answers in the Answers Key.

8. DE COMPRAS



a) What does the comics' title suggest to you?

b) Use your own words to describe the characters from this comics.

- Watch the [video](#)¹². After reading and/or watching the comics:

c) Answer the questions

1. ¿Qué le dijo Yayita a Condorito?
2. ¿Qué le contestó Condorito a Yayita?
3. ¿Qué le preguntó Yayita a Condorito?
4. ¿Qué le comentó Yayita a Condorito?

d) Apply the reported (indirect) speech by expressing the content of statements, questions or other utterances of the joke, without quoting them explicitly as is done in direct speech.

e) Retell the comics pretending you are:

- Yayita
- Condorito

f) Check your written answers in the Answers Key.

¹² Address link for print edition: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=glmzh3L0Qs0>

9. ¡QUÉ OJOS!



- a) What does the comics' title suggest to you?
- b) Use your own words to describe the characters from this comics.
 - Watch the [video](#)¹³. After reading and/or watching the comics:
- c) Answer the questions
 1. ¿Qué le preguntó Condorito a Yayita?
- d) Apply the reported (indirect) speech by expressing the content of statements, questions or other utterances of the joke, without quoting them explicitly as is done in direct speech.
- e) Retell the comics pretending you are:
 - Condorito
 - Yayita
- f) Check your written answers in the Answers Key.

¹³ Address link for print edition: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fdQvW3PrDjU>

10. UN ADELANTO



- What does the comics' title suggest to you?
- Use your own words to describe the characters from this comics.
 - Watch the [video](#)¹⁴. After reading and/or watching the comics:
- Answer the questions
 - ¿Qué le pidió [Pepe Cortizona](#)¹⁵ (Saco de Plomo) a Condorito?
 - ¿Qué le dijo Condorito a Pepe Cortizona?
 - ¿Qué le prometió Pepe Cortizona a Condorito?
 - ¿Qué le dijo Condorito a Pepe Cortizona al final?
- Apply the reported (indirect) speech by expressing the content of statements, questions or other utterances of the joke, without quoting them explicitly as is done in direct speech.
- Retell the comics pretending you are:
 - Pepe Cortizona
 - Condorito
- Check your written answers in the Answers Key.

¹⁴ Address link for print edition: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2jbWG8aFHCQ>

¹⁵ Pepe Cortizona (saco de plomo): Rival de Condorito.

11. ¿ES MUY GRAVE?



- What does the comics' title suggest to you?
- Use your own words to describe the characters from this comics.
 - Watch the [video](#)¹⁶. After reading and/or watching the comics:
- Answer the questions
 - ¿Qué le mostró Pesatilla a Condorito cuando llegó a su consulta?
 - ¿Qué hizo Condorito con la documentación?
 - ¿Por qué Pesatilla se puso nervioso?
 - ¿Qué le dijo Condorito a Pesatilla después de leer el documento?
 - ¿Qué le preguntó Pesatilla a Condorito?
 - ¿Cuál fue la respuesta de Condorito?
 - ¿Pesatilla quería mejorarse?
 - ¿Qué le preguntó Pesatilla a Condorito?

¹⁶ Address link for print edition: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vIT8Hjqc-w8>

9. ¿Cuál fue la respuesta de Condorito a Pesatilla?
- d) Apply the reported (indirect) speech by expressing the content of statements, questions or other utterances of the joke, without quoting them explicitly as is done in direct speech.
- e) Retell the comics pretending you are:
- Condorito
 - Pesatilla
- f) Check your written answers in the Answers Key.

12. CRISIS FINANCIERA



- a) What does the comics' title suggest to you?
- b) Use your own words to describe the characters from this comics.
- Watch the [video](#)¹⁷. After reading and/or watching the comics:
- c) Answer the questions
1. ¿Qué le dijo el empleado Acuña a Condorito?
 2. ¿Qué le contestó Condorito al empleado Acuña?
 3. ¿Qué le informó el empleado Acuña a Condorito?
 4. ¿Qué le aconsejó Condorito al empleado Acuña?
 5. ¿Qué más le dijo Condorito al empleado Acuña?
- d) Apply the reported (indirect) speech by expressing the content of

¹⁷ Address link for print edition: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lb_qQfBNDB4

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